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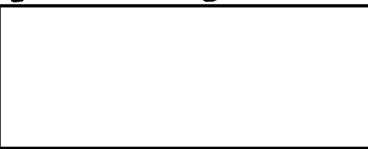
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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The Indonesian Situation
(Report # 18 - As of 4:00 P.M. EDT)

1. No basic decisions apparently were forthcoming at President Sukarno's cabinet meeting at Bogor Palace on 6 October. Sukarno appears determined to re-establish his authority by: (1) preventing the army from acting decisively against the PKI and suspected leaders of the "30 September Movement," an action that would prevent Sukarno from playing off these elements against the army as he has done in the past; and (2) re-establishing a working relationship between these two hostile forces and restoring unity to the country by warning of a serious external threat, but without specifically identifying the enemy.

2. The whereabouts of D. N. Aidit, PKI Chairman, is still unknown, and most of the PKI leadership has gone underground.



3. Despite Sukarno's refusal to ban the PKI and order the seizure of the suspected conspirators, there are indications that the army is not as submissive as it has been in the past. Armed Communists in Djakarta have been imprisoned and Communist youth front members are being rounded up. Njono, Chief of the Djakarta PKI Committee and former head of SOBSI, the PKI-led labor federation, reportedly has been arrested.



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4. There continue to be reports of minor skirmishing in central Java, where remnant anti-government forces are concentrated. While in control of Jojakarta earlier in the week, rebel forces reportedly massacred the wife and eight children of Colonel Karin, Commander of the Jojakarta military district.

5. It was announced by Djakarta radio today that the five-year old daughter of General Nasution had died of gun shot wounds inflicted by the "30 September movement."

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